amending Notification No. 225/86-Central Excise, dated the 3rd April, 1986, exempting Monoethylene Glycol falling under sub-heading No. 2905.90 of the Schedule to the Central Excise Tariff Act, 1985 (5 of 1986) from the whole of the duty of excise leviable thereon which is specified in the said Schedule, together with an Explanatory Memorandum thereon. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-4450/87]

I. Accounts (1985-86) of the Banaras Hindu University (Volumes I and II) and related papers.

II. Report and Accounts (1985-86) of the Central Institute of Higher Tibetan Studies, Varanasi and related papers.

III. Statement giving reasons for not laying the Report (1985-86) of the Aligarh Muslim University within the stipulated period.

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्रालय में शिक्षा और संस्कृति विभागों में राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती कृष्णा साही) : श्रीमन्, मैं, निम्नलिखित पत्रों की एक-एक प्रति (अंग्रेजी तथा हिन्दी में) सभा पटल पर रखती हूं—

(i) (क) 1985-86 के वर्ष के लिए बनारस हिन्दू विश्वविद्यालय के वार्षिक लेखे (खण्ड I तथा II) तथा उन पर लेखापरीक्षा प्रतिवेदन ।

(ख) ऊपर (क) में उल्लिखित पत्रों को सभा पटल पर रखने में हुए विलम्ब के कारणों को दर्शाने वाला विवरण । [पुस्तकालय में रखी गई ।) (क) और (ख) के लिये देखिये सं० एल० टी० 4428/87] ।

(ii) (क) 1985-86 के वर्ष के लिए केन्द्रीय उच्च तिब्बती अध्ययन संस्थान, वाराणसी का नवां वार्षिक प्रतिवेदन

(ख) 1985-86 के वर्ष के लिए केन्द्रीय उच्च तिब्बती अध्ययन संस्थान, वाराणसी के वार्षिक लेखे तथा उन पर लेखा परीक्षा प्रतिवेदन ।

(ग) संस्थान के कार्यकरण की सरकार द्वारा समीक्षा ।

(घ) ऊपर (क) और (ख) में उल्लिखित पत्रों को सभा पटल पर रखने में हुए विलम्ब के कारणों को दर्शाने वाला विवरण । [पुस्तकालय में रखी गई । (क) से (घ) के लिये देखिए सं० एल० टी०—4465/87]

(iii) 1985-86 के वर्ष के लिए अलीगढ़ मुस्लिम विश्वविद्यालय के वार्षिक प्रतिवेदन को निर्धारित अवधि के भीतर सभा पटल पर न रखे जाने के कारणों को दर्शाने वाला विवरण (अंग्रेजी तथा हिन्दी में)। [पुस्तकालय में रखी गई) । देखिये सं० एल०टी०—4466/87]

Notifications of the Ministry of Steel and Mines (Department of Mines)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF MINES IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRIMATI RAM DULARI SINHA): Sir, I beg to lay on the Table, under sub-section (1) of section 28 of the Mines and Minerals (Regulation and Development) Act, 1957, a copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Minstry of Steel and Mines (Department of Mines):—

1. S.O. No. 445(E), dated the 28th April, 1987, directing that the powers exercisable under clause (b) of section 5 (2) of the Act shall also be exercised by the Controller General, Chief Controller of Mines, Controller of Mines and the Regional Controller of Mines of Indian Bureau of Mines. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-4467/87]

2. S.O. No. 446(E), dated the 28th April, 1987, authorising all the State Governments and Union Territory Administrations to exercise powers vested in Central Gov-

ernment under sub-section (4) of section 21 of the Act. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-4468/87]

3. G.S.R. No. 453(E), dated the 5th May, 1987, making amendments to the Second Schedule and the Third Schedule to the Act relating to "Rates of Royalty" and 'Dead Rent' respectively. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-4469/87]

PROCLAMATION UNDER ARTICLE 356 OF THE CONSTITUTION IN RELATION TO THE STATE OF PUNJAB

MR. CHAIRMAN: Now, Proclamation under Article 356...

SHRI LAL K. ADVANI (Madhya Pradesh): On a point of order, Mr. Chairman, this morning when we saw the List of Business we did not see any reference to this proclamation about which we had already gathered information from the news papers that President's rule has been imposed on Punjab under Article-356. A Proclamation has been issued by the President in that regard following a report from the Governor of the State and whatever is to follow, action has been taken on that. I have written to you drawing attention to the fact that Parliament is in Session at the moment and while Parliament is in Session any important announcement pertaining to the administration, pertaining to the Governor, has to be made in Parliament first before it is made outside. This applies not merely to policy statements but it applies to vital and important decisions of Government which are not in the nature of continuing administrative decisions. I can understand if there is a continuing administration decision it can be taken outside also. In this case this is a very vital decision which has a long-range effect on that part of the country and I would say, also on the whole country...

SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL (Punjab): President cannot come to the Parliament to issue the Proclamation.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Mr. Bansal, if you want to say something, I will give you an opportunity.

SHRI LAL K. ADVANI: Mr. Bansal is very right that 'the President cannot come to the House and issue a Proclamation. He issues it outside. But the Government, it being the executive authority, is always very particular to see that even when a journalist asks them journalists may come to know from outside — "Has President's rule been imposed on Punjab?", he will say, " I have nothing to say, whatever I have to say I will say it in Parliament.". In the fitness of thins, instead of Shri Buta Singh or Shri Chidambaram coming right here to lay on the Table of Parliament a Proclamation about which details may be available later——broadly we already know from newspapers. It would have been proper if in the List of Business today it had been mentioned that Shri Buta Singh or Shri Chidambaram will make a statement on the Punjab situation and in that course he had made an announcement here that a Proclamation has been issued.

My submission is that this is one more illustration of the fact that this executive tends to take Parliament for granted, to bypass Parliament, and take decisions of its own accord without reference to Parliament. I regard this as a breach of propriety and as a violation of established conventions. Therefore, I would urge that you should point out to them and to ensure that this kind of violation does not take place again.

Secondly, this Proclamation necessarily under Article 356 sub-clause (3) has to be laid on the Table and has to be approved within two months of the Proclamation; otherwise, within two months it will expire: that is, under Article 356. And, therefore,